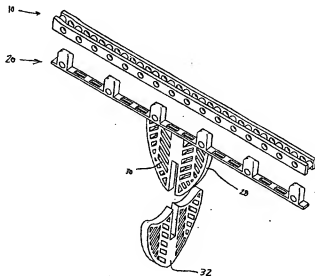




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(54) Title: ADJUSTABLE SYSTEM FOR BONDED COMPOSITE DENTISTRY



(57) **Abstract:** A dental bridge and a method of assembling a dental bridge. An adjustable system for bonded composites may generally include a ladder supporting a truss in one of multiple relative positions thereon. The ladder generally includes opposing rails connected by a plurality of rungs. The plurality of rungs are spaced along the rails to define a plurality of openings between adjacent rungs. The ladder may also include a plurality of projections extending from the rails. The projections are correspondingly spaced. The truss generally includes a metal strip having a plurality of upwardly extending projections. The projections are correspondingly spaced. The truss is adapted to be inserted into the openings between the rungs of the ladder in a plurality of relative configurations. The spaced with the openings defined in the ladder to allow the truss to engage the ladder in a plurality of relative configurations. The combination of the ladder and truss may also provides a torsionally rigid and substantially stiff assembly with which to support one or more pontics and/or unstable teeth.